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Governor Brownback assigns CURB to provide citizen review of proposed regulations

TOPEKA, Kansas, February 9, 2011 — Today, Governor Sam Brownback signed an Executive Order establishing new duties and responsibilities for the Citizens' Utility Ratepayer Board (CURB).

Governor Brownback has assigned CURB the task of providing citizen input and review of proposed state agency rules and regulations. When exercising these duties, CURB will be referred to as the "Citizens' Regulatory Review Board." CRRB will review proposed rules and regulations for their impact on the lives of Kansas citizens, and, at its discretion, provide advisory comments to the Governor's office, according to the executive order.

"We appreciate the Governor's expression of confidence in CURB. This is a significant expansion of CURB's role into oversight of proposed regulations that may impact Kansas citizens," said Nancy Jackson, Chair of the CURB Board. "We are a small agency, but will do our best to meet the Governor's expectations. We've been assured that CURB will have access to additional resources we'll need to accomplish our new mission as the Citizens' Regulatory Review Board."

CURB was established in 1988 by the Kansas legislature to protect the interests of residential and small commercial utility ratepayers in the state of Kansas. CURB is a five-member volunteer board that is appointed by the Governor.